



Applied Behavioral Services

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Dear ABS Parents,

Some of you have expressed an interest in receiving information about local parent support groups. Please reference the groups below for information about the group, when they meet, who to contact, etc. We hope you find this information helpful!

Autism Society of Greater Cincinnati Family Support Meetings are held on the second Tuesday of the month from 7-8:30pm at the Hyde Park Library (2747 Erie Ave.) Meetings provide information for **Parents of Individuals with Aspergers or High Functioning ASD, for Parents of Individuals with Behavioral Issues, and for Parents of Transition-Aged Adolescents and Young Adults aged 13-25 with ASD.** No reservations needed. You can learn more about ASGC's Groups and others by calling the Autism Connection at 513-561-2300 or emailing info@autismcincy.org.

Cincinnati Autism Playgroup is a group made for and by parents of children with Autism, providing community outings and a network of support for parents. Contact person: Kristin Clary; contact email: x_beautiful_mirtha_x@yahoo.com or visit their Facebook page at <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Cincinnati-Autism-Play-Group/85645514779>.

Crossroads Special Needs Parent Group meets the first Monday of each month at Crossroads Oakley. If you have kids with special needs, you're invited to Crossroads' Special Needs Parent Group. Join other families who are looking for support through training, education and community. For more information, email us at specialneeds@crossroads.net

CHADD (Children and Adults with Attention / Hyperactivity Disorder) meet on the 4th Tuesday of the month at First Baptist Church of Mason (735 Reading Rd.) from 7 -10 p.m. Speakers talk for 75 minutes followed by discussion and support. A \$3.00 donation is requested for non CHADD members. For more information call 513-459-6080.

A **Peer Support Group** sponsored by the Butler County National Alliance on Mental Illness and the Butler County Family and Children First Council has been formed. They meet the second Tuesday of every month from 7 - 9 p.m. at St. Mark's United Methodist Church, 4601 Fairfield Ave. in Fairfield. Questions call Lynda at 513-887-5519.

Parents Anonymous helps parents or caregivers deal with the stress of raising children. The meetings are co-led by parents and a professionally trained facilitator and welcome anyone involved in parenting a child. The group meets every Tuesday from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at the YMCA, 244 Dayton St., Hamilton. For more information call 863-6129.

Asperger's Syndrome, PDD and High Functioning Autism support group meets the first Monday of every month at Christ United Methodist Church, 3440 Shroyer Rd. in Kettering at 7 p.m. Free childcare is provided by the church. For more information, or to be added to the groups mailing list call Audrey at 937-433-4505.

Miami Valley Down Syndrome Association (MVDSA) meets the 3rd Thursday of each month from 6 - 8:30 p.m. at the Job Center, 1133 Edwin C. Moses Blvd. in Dayton. All family members are invited to attend. Family membership in the group costs only \$15 a year.

Parent of BiPolar Children Support Group meets the 3rd Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Sabin Education Center at 3333 Burnett Ave., 2nd floor, rooms D-24 and D-25. Call Pam 513-467-0423 for more information.

Downs Syndrome Society of Greater Cincinnati has numerous support groups available for parents and grandparents. Call 513-761-5400 for more information and a complete listing.

Arc of Butler County offers parent support groups and activities throughout the year. More information is available on their website at www.butlercountycarc.org. Office location 282 N. Fair Ave. Hamilton, OH 45011

Cincinnati Children's offers support groups and online forums for parents of children with various disabilities. More information is available on their website at www.inspire.com/groups/cincinnati-childrens